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HONOKAA CANE IS PRODUCING MORE SUGAR NOW

Honokaa stockholders were given an enthusiastic plantation report at the annual meeting held this morning at the office of F. A. Schaefer & Co., when Manager Morrison's report was made public, stating that the cane juice on the plantation have greatly improved. His estimate for this year's crop stands off at 8000 tons, and will probably be revised upward later, according to the custom of conservative managers.

All of the officers of the plantation were re-elected. Manager Morrison's report in part is as follows:

"Crop 1911.
"We commenced grinding December 2, 1910, and finished August 8, 1911. The estimate for the crop was 8925 tons of sugar, and the yield was 9,127,905 tons of sugar, an increase of 268,905 tons. The density of the juice was exceptionally low, it taking 3,809 tons of cane to the ton of sugar, which is far above the average.

"Crop 1912.
"This year we will harvest 2024 acres.

"You will note from the area to be harvested that the cane is of a fine quality, and in order to comply with

tion from the report of last year, owing to a small area in short ratoons having been added.

"From the above area we expect to harvest 84,411 tons of cane. Up to date of writing (February 19) we have harvested 17,567 tons of cane, which have produced 1584 tons of sugar, it having taken 8.84 tons of cane to one of sugar. The juice this year has greatly improved and I only hope it will continue.

"Owing to the great scarcity of water, we have been unable to flame much of our upper land cane, having had to harvest entirely for the past three weeks below the Hamakua ditch. This period of drought will greatly enhance the sugar output from our upper lands, but it is rather early in the season to go full swing harvesting the cane below the 800 feet elevation, so therefore we are grinding during the day only. When we do get the required rains, we can easily get through the mill 35 tons of cane per hour.

"The acreage for this crop is large and should have given a larger yield, but there being nearly 1500 acres of ratoons at an elevation from 1500 to 2000 feet, we do not expect much from them, as the land was only partly cleared. I estimate 9000 tons of sugar for the crop.

"Crop 1913.
"For the above crop we have 3581 acres.

"This crop at the present writing looks extremely well, is clean and is in the best of health. The ratoons have benefited greatly through weather conditions, extensive use of implement

work and an increased fertilization. The plant cane has been handled in the most modern manner, and I expect the best of results, barring a drought. The planting and cultivation have been entirely altered from former methods; for instance, we are planting 25 per cent more seed per acre, and as our open soils here require a narrow furrow, we have systemized them to a width of 41-2 feet in our lower lands and 4 feet in our upper lands, and from the present outlook this will be a very material advantage. Fertilizer has been applied far more extensively and systematically with gratifying results.

"Crop 1914.
"Proposed area for the above crop, 3165 acres.

"You will note that the area in plant looks rather large, but you have to take into consideration that we have to partly clear and plant 800 acres at an elevation of 1500 to 2000 feet. It is my aim to produce a regular and even crop each year as far as weather conditions will permit, and to do this it is imperative that this large area (2145 acres) be planted this year.

"Expenses.
"You will see that the operating expenses for the year were \$529,912.33. I would draw your attention to the following three items: Cultivating, \$197,488.66; fertilizing, \$91,603.26; water, \$59,651.82, which together amount to \$348,743.74. I consider that it is absolutely essential to intensify cultivation and fertilize the Honokaa lands, to produce paying crops. In addition to the above, and in order to comply with

the Board of Health regulations, we spent \$5044.50 on camp sanitation and \$9538.05 in providing sanitary kitchens, wash-houses, bath-houses and repairing buildings.

"Improvements.
"Under this head we spent \$67,196.50, of which \$20,793.33 was for new laborers' quarters, which are now in excellent condition; \$16,320.05 for mill machinery, which includes additional crystallizer capacity and a Krauswieser crusher. The latter is a great improvement, as now we can easily handle 25 tons of cane an hour at the mill. There will be nothing expended during the coming year, except what may be absolutely necessary, and improvements will be kept at a very low figure.

"Labor.
"Owing to nearly all of our work being done by contract, we have sufficient labor for all our needs.

"Irrigation.
"Owing to the exceptionally heavy rainfall during the year, we have not irrigated to any considerable extent. During the month of January we have had a taste of a drought, and even the waters of the lower ditch have fallen considerably below their average flow, the ditch company not being able to supply its contracted amount to the three plantations.

"General.
"The general condition of the plantation is good. Everything is modern and up to date.

"The maxim which I will endeavor to obtain is an increased return per acre planted."

COMMISSIONER OF LAND JUDD QUILTS

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far as the work is concerned. Just at the present time the work of the department is especially heavy owing to the fight that is being waged against the Mediterranean fruit fly and it is necessary for someone to be able to devote the whole of their time to it.

No Appointments Yet.
"Nothing has been done so far as to appointing anyone to the two positions. We shall in all probability come to some conclusion in the matter within the next two or three days. It is necessary of course that someone should be appointed almost immediately."

Who Are the Men.
Immediately it became known that the Land Commissioner had resigned, speculation was rife as to who will be appointed to fill the positions. The position as chairman of the Board of Agriculture and Forestry it is thought will be taken by either Walter M. Giffard, who is in charge of the fight against the Mediterranean fruit fly at the present time, or by H. M. von Holt or J. M. Dowsett two of the members of the Board. The selection of Giffard to fill the position is backed up by the reference made by the Governor this morning to the fact that it

was necessary for someone to devote all his time to the fight against the fruit fly.

Next Land Commissioner.
As to the position of Land Commissioner the only man looming on the horizon at the present time is Joshua D. Tucker, assistant to Judd, who has the reputation of knowing more about land conditions and laws than anyone else in the Territory.

Outside of Tucker there is no one showing up and the question will remain an open one. Alfred D. Cooper secretary of the Republican Territorial Central Committee, was with the Governor just before noon discussing the matter, but nothing was given out for publication. Judd has been in the position for only about seven months.

BIJOU SECURED FOR ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Ireland's national holiday will be observed in Honolulu this year with appropriate exercises at the popular Bijou. It is planned to give an entertainment that will equal or surpass anything given in the past. As March 17th falls on a Sunday, it has been decided to observe the day on the following Monday evening, March 18th. While under the auspices of the A. O. H., it will really be a tribute from the Irish and their friends of the Territory of Hawaii to Erin on her great holidays.

Albert Sperry, aged 70, a veteran of the Fourth regiment, Connecticut volunteers, was found dead in bed at his home in Goshen, Conn.

NATIONAL TREASURY HAS LARGE DEFICIT

WASHINGTON, February 2.—The deficit of the Federal treasury for the current fiscal year has risen to \$22,385,000. At the close of January a year ago the excess of disbursements over receipts was only \$10,137,000. The treasury gathered up during January \$52,462,000. The month's expenses of the National Government, however, reached \$53,422,000, a deficit for the month of \$960,000. The total balance in the general fund when the treasury opened yesterday was \$123,414,000; a month ago it was \$128,926,000. The working balance in the treasury at the close of January was \$66,451,000, against \$71,415,000 at the end of December. The total amount of gold coin and bullion held in trust by the United States for the redemption of notes and certificates on January 31 was \$1,035,612,000. The calendar year closed with \$1,910,556,000 in these funds. The construction of the Panama Canal called \$2,291,000 out of the treasury during January, while December's disbursements in this connection were \$3,125,000. Work on the canal up to date during the fiscal year has cost \$20,900,000. There are 7,348 national banks, according to the Controller of the Currency. The total amount of national bank circulation outstanding is \$741,494,000.

Bank Commissioner Arthur B. Chapin of Holyoke, Mass., resigned in order to accept the vice-presidency of the American Trust Company of Boston.